

Isabella Township Regular Board Meeting

November 6, 2023

7:00 pm

The Isabella Township Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Rick Ervin at 7:00 p.m. at the Isabella Township Hall.

Meeting opened with Pledge of Allegiance led by Rick Ervin. Present were: Linda Bechtel, Rick Ervin, Kristin Derby, Thomas Reihl, and Robert Walton

Approval of Agenda: Thomas Reihl moved to approve agenda. Robert Walton supported. Agenda approved.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes were read and reviewed from the October 2, 2023 regular business meeting. Robert Walton made a motion, seconded by Thomas Reihl to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

Guest Speakers: Mid-Michigan Security Systems Inc. presented their quote for installing cameras at the hall and at the park. The board asked questions of them and determined to set up a camera demonstration in the near future.

Rick Ervin, along with Thomas Reihl, gave a recap of the MTA meeting they attended at the Road Commission. Shelly Nelson gave an update on the county building closure.

Assessor: Bill Strouse presented a land split for James Pohl, parcel # 09-008-40-002-08. [Thomas Reihl made a resolution, seconded by Robert Walton to approve the land division as presented for parcel # 09-008-40-002-08. A roll call vote was taken. All board members in attendance approved.]

Financial Report: Linda Bechtel presented the Treasurers report. Thomas Reihl made a motion, seconded by Robert Walton to accept the financial report with an ending balance of \$795,042.12. A roll call vote was taken. All board members in attendance approved. Motion passed.

Kristin Derby presented the bills. Rick Ervin made a motion, seconded by Thomas Reihl to pay checks #1418-#1427 & #1458-#1470. A roll call vote was taken. All board members in attendance approved to pay vouchers as presented. Motion passed.

New Business:

- The board looked over the Par Plan insurance coverage for next year and want to increase what is covered for the playground to \$300,000 and remove mower deck.
- The carpets will be cleaned on Wednesday, November 8, 2023.
- Someone ran into our building with some damage and we will ask Integral Builders, the original contractors for metal on the building, to give a quote to repair it.
- Cow Pleasant Dairy received a complaint from the Right to Farm at the State. After some research by Rick Ervin, he discovered that the complaint came from Vernon Township and not our own. Cow Pleasant Dairy was found to be in proper compliance with Right to Farm Laws.
- Cloverland Lawn Care LLC will perform leaf clean-up at the Park and Cemetery.
- Weidman Rd from Lincoln Rd to Meridian Rd is completed.
- The board agreed to move \$100,000 from our general fund account to our Municipal Savings account to earn higher interest rates.
- Kristin Derby presented on the need for upgraded software involving payroll and accounting. The board will look it over and re-visit next month.
- The County building will be closed and emptied out for approximately 6 months for restoration.
- There is an MTA Class offered on December 6, 2023 if anyone wants to attend.

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Public Comment: Bob First asked a question about extra 2% funds. John Derby inquired about Wreaths Across America. Rick made a motion to spend up to \$2,000 on the wreaths, seconded by Thomas Reihl. A roll call vote was taken and all members in attendance approved. Motion passed. John Derby also suggested renting a Porta-John at the park after we close the bathrooms in the Fall. Al Bowerman commented on Cow Pleasant Dairy. Rick had drain sheets for anyone wanting to view them.

Adjournment: Rick Ervin moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Thomas Reihl. Motion passed.

Meeting declared adjourned.